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STEERING WHEEL AND  
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SAME

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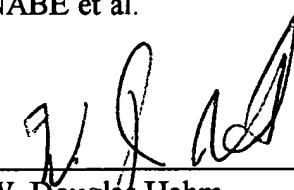
Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of April 4, 2001, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-3, drawn to an apparatus of a steering wheel, without traverse, for further prosecution. In view of this election, a full examination on the merits of the present application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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